

Buffalo County's Older Population

Social and Economic Characteristics

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	Buffalo County		Wisconsin
Household Income (Householder Age 65+)		Percent	Percent
Income less than \$35,000	1,098	72.7%	65.2%
Income less than \$50,000	1,278	84.6%	80.4%

Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level	Number	Percent	Percent
Below Poverty	208	9.7%	7.4%
Below 2.0 x Poverty	764	35.5%	29.6%

Median Income: Comparing Age Groups		Dollars	Dollars
Total (Householders of all ages)		\$37,200	\$43,791
Householder 65 to 74 years		\$26,250	\$31,328
Householder 75 years and over		\$19,150	\$21,046

Employment Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force	220	21.7%	17.7%
Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force	158	12.2%	9.3%

Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
65+; Less than 9th grade	667	28.9%	17.8%
65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma	202	8.8%	15.5%
65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency)	950	41.2%	38.2%
65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree	299	13.0%	13.7%
65+, Bachelor's degree or more	186	8.1%	12.7%

Marital Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Never married	92	4.0%	4.7%
Married	1,284	55.7%	52.9%
Separated	150	6.5%	5.2%
Widowed	653	28.3%	31.3%
Divorced	125	5.4%	5.9%
Males , 65 and over, married	727	71.8%	71.3%
Females , 65 and over, married	557	43.1%	39.9%

Disability Status, Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Persons 65 or older with any disability	771	35.8%	36.5%
With a sensory disability	252	11.7%	11.9%
With a physical disability	507	23.5%	24.1%
With a mental disability	123	5.7%	7.6%
With a self-care disability	121	5.6%	7.5%
With a go-outside-home disability	355	16.5%	17.7%
Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level	113	14.7%	10.6%